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COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Judge Hydrick's Forceful Charge to Grand Jury-- Cases Disposed Of.

The Court of General Sessions convened here Monday morning, Judge Hydrick presiding, this being his Honor's first term in Lancaster. Solicitor Henry is at his post. Mr. A. M. Deal, of Columbia, is acting in the place of Court Stenographer McCaw.

In his charge to the grand jury the judge stated that he would take it for granted that they had been fully instructed as to their duties at the two previous terms of court this year. He however, desired to call their attention to one or two matters, the first being the character of the oath taken by a grand juror. His Honor repeated the oath and then emphasized its most important features, beginning with the element of secrecy which is imperatively demanded of grand jurors in their counsels, deliberations and investigations. He also stressed the requirement that no one must be presented through hatred or malice, for reward or hope of reward, but that all presentments must be made according to the evidence and without fear or favor. The dignity and importance of the office of grand jurors was commented upon. No man, he said, could be placed on trial in this court until the grand jury says he must be tried. The courts are powerless to proceed with the trial, conviction and punishment of violators of the law without the sanction of the grand jury—they must first act and say whether or not there is a probable case against a party charged with the commission of crime.

Referring to the alleged miscarriages of justice, the guilty being allowed to escape, the judge said responsibility therefore rested with the people themselves, and not with the judges and the lawyers. If law and order are to be observed and enforced in this country the people through the jury box must do their duty. Our system of government is preeminently one of the people, for the people and by the people. When, therefore, there is a failure in the administration of justice, the blame attaches to the people themselves. It has been well said that no people is better governed than they deserve. His Honor deprecated the disposition on the part of some to discredit and abuse the courts. He said to destroy the confidence of the people in the temples of justice and the administration of the law is to sap the very foundation of our civilization. Referring to the prevalence of the spirit of mob violence, he pointed with pride to the fact that the sheriff of his county, Spartanburg, had just successfully resisted an attack on the jail by a mob, though wounded while thus in the discharge of his duty. He said if every county had a sheriff like John Nichols of Spartanburg there would be no need of rushing prisoners off to places of safety. He said it was disgusting to him to see or hear of the law taking to its heels—of a sheriff or other officer running away with a prisoner to escape a mob. What is wanted in this country is officers who will place their prisoners in jail and then defend them at all hazards.

The judge announced for the benefit of the petit jury as well that he would send to jail any one who talked to a juror about a case before him, and that he would send along with such person the juror who would knowingly and willingly allow any other party to discuss a case with him. He also urged the importance of the observance of the hours of court by lawyers, jurors, witnesses and others whose presence is required. He instructed the clerk to keep a record of the names of all witnesses called by him, saying that such witnesses would not be allowed pay for their services if they failed to give a good excuse for not being in court. The bailiffs were also instructed to keep order in the court room, as their duties extend beyond the mere drawing of \$1.50 a day.

The judge reminded the grand jurors of their duty in relation to the examination of the books, etc., of the county officials, which examination, he said, must be thorough and not merely perfunctory or superficial. He also insisted on a thorough examination of the jail

and the poor house, especially with reference to the treatment of prisoners and paupers. He recited instances in other counties where prisoners had been whipped to extort confessions and where paupers had not been given proper treatment.

At the conclusion of the judge's able and unusually interesting charge a number of bills of indictment were handed the grand jury.

The following cases were disposed of by the court Monday and yesterday: Ellis Howie pleaded guilty to violating dispensary law and was fined \$100, which he paid. John Perry, charged with assault and battery with intent to kill, verdict, not guilty. George Truesdale pleaded guilty to burglary and larceny and was sentenced 5 years' hard labor on public works or in penitentiary. Wayne Williams was tried during his absence for assault and battery with intent to kill—sealed sentence. John Stover pleaded guilty to burglary and larceny and was sentenced to 10 years in penitentiary. Ed Hood entered a similar plea as to assault and battery with intent to kill and carrying concealed weapon and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 or serve three months on public works. He paid the fine. Lewis Dorrah was tried on charge of violating dispensary law and found guilty.

The following cases were not pressed: Robert Blackmon, assault and battery with intent to kill. Arthur Wade, larceny. Clara and Wm. Cunningham, attempt to poison. Marion Blackmon, violating dispensary law.

The following cases were continued: John Sowell, Wm. Gardner and Mack Truesdale, house breaking and larceny. Thos. S. Vincent, assault and battery with intent to kill.

True bills rendered by grand jury in following other cases: Lewis Potts, violating dispensary law, who was afterwards tried and convicted. Mamie Ingram, murder. Joe Jones, assault and battery with intent to kill. Harvey Massey, murder. Bill Milly, alias William Massey, house-breaking and larceny. The latter, upon trial, was found guilty of larceny and received a 3 years' sentence. When The News went to press yesterday afternoon the court was engaged in the trial of Harvey Massey, charged with murder.

Bodies of Man and Woman, Bound Face to Face, Found in Bay.

New York, Oct. 11.—The bodies of a man and a woman, both young and well dressed, bound face to face with a rope and bits of wire, were found early today in Jamaica Bay.

The finding of the bodies led to the belief the couple had been murdered, but the police, after an investigation, declared that it was a double suicide.

The bodies were found by two fishermen. Their little motor boat bumped into them as they were crossing the bay.

Both victims had their valuable intact. The woman's chatelaine bag was even wired to her wrist, but there was nothing in the possession of either one to aid the police in identification.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

The fall communion meeting of Unity, A. R. P. church will be held next Saturday and Sabbath, viz 3rd Sab. Oct. The public is cordially invited.

As published in the last issue of The News, a meeting of the Public Library Association will be held at the library rooms next Friday evening. Oysters will be served by the ladies. The public generally is cordially invited to attend.

There will be preaching at Douglas at 3 o'clock in the afternoon on Sunday Oct. 18th by Rev. Chalmers Fraser. The reason why he did not preach there on the third Sabbath in September was that they failed to send for him.

The Camp Creek Farmers' Union will meet next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Clubb, of the cotton mills community, died Sunday night, aged nearly seven months. The burial was in West Side cemetery Monday.

Another Account of the Terry-Bennett Nuptials.

Lancaster cor. in the Columbia State of Sunday: One of the most delightful events of the early fall was the pretty home wedding of Mr. Walter H. Terry and Miss Sallie Elizabeth Bennett. A large number of invitations had been issued. The residence was very tastefully decorated. In the east parlor the many handsome gifts were displayed. The decorations were goldenrod and green vines. The hall was bright with various flowers and potted plants. The lower end was cut off by a portiere, and in the recess thus formed there was a background of willow and roses; upon a flower strewn table rested the punch bowl. The ceremony room was elaborately festooned with running vines and brilliant autumn roses and foliage. In each corner of the room was a fern mounted on a pedestal, and the mantel was adorned with vases of cut flowers. Mrs. Bertha Billings skillfully rendered the wedding march, the opening chord of which heralded the approach of the bridal party. First entered Mrs. O. Moiz of Rock Hill, niece of the bride, and dame of honor. She was lovely in a clinging gown of cream net over taffeta with deep blue silk girdle and side sash. Then followed the attendants, Miss Daisy Bennett, sister of the bride, gowned in dainty white, and Mr. L. R. Terry, brother of the groom.

Then entered the bride leaning on the arm of the groom. She was most attractive in a handsome going-away gown of blue broadcloth, elegantly tailored with linings and vest of gray silk and gray gloves. Her hat was blue with a touch of gray.

The party paused in front of the west window, which was banked with fine ferns and draped with a shower of roses and trailing wild ivy. Rev. W. A. Fair of the First Methodist church impressively performed the ceremony.

Following congratulations a variety of delicious cakes was served. Miss Bessie Lemmond presided at the punch bowl and graciously dispensed luscious fruit frappe.

Mrs. Terry is one of Lancaster's most charming young ladies, and Mr. Terry is a promising and popular young business man. The couple left on the evening train to visit Mr. Terry's former home at Hamlet, N. C.

The Lancaster Bible Society.

The Lancaster Bible Society held its annual session for this year in the First Baptist church last Sunday evening. Mr. Bruce Craven made a very excellent and practical address. Dr. Boldridge then explained the offer which Mrs. Russell Sage has recently made to the American Bible Society of which the Lancaster Bible Society is a branch or member. Mrs. Sage has offered to give the American Bible Society half a million dollars provided the friends of said society would give said society another half million. The Lancaster society was asked to give \$300 towards meeting the conditions of Mrs. Sage's gift. The collection amounted to \$150; then Mr. Waddy C. Thomson and Mr. R. T. Beatty were appointed a committee to get subscriptions for getting up another \$150. The man who gives one dollar now to this object really secures two dollars to Bible work. We hope all will help to raise this amount. The old officers were reelected.

This Society has circulated in the county about 2,400 copies of the word of God since its organization. It is enlarging its work every year and richly deserves the support of the community.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robinson, of the mill village, yesterday, Oct. 13.

Death of Mrs. A. A. Culp, Formerly of Lancaster County.

Charlotte Observer, Oct. 9: Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Culp, wife of Mr. A. A. Culp, died yesterday morning early at her home, No. 906 East Fourth street. This morning at 9 o'clock the remains will be taken to Sharon Presbyterian church, where the funeral will be conducted and the interment made. Accompanying the funeral party, R. Y. E. Y. Bain will be in charge of the religious exercises.

Mrs. Culp had been ill about two months. Her sickness, combined with the burden of her 70 years, proved finally too much for her strength and her condition gradually grew worse. Mrs. Culp came to Charlotte about eight years ago from Lancaster, S. O. She was at the time of her death, as she had been for many years, a faithful member of Sharon church. Her life was a benediction of gracious influence to all those who came in contact with her.

Surviving are her husband and the following children: Messrs. S. W., S. L. and F. A. Culp, of Charlotte, and W. M. Culp, of Fort Mill, S. C.; Mrs. J. N. Clon z, of Salisbury, and Mrs. P. O. Harkey, of Charlotte.

Situation in Spartanburg-- Nine Alleged Would-be Lynchers Arrested.

Spartanburg special in Monday's Columbia Record: Nine arrests have been made as the result of the attempt to take John Irby, charged with attempting to make criminal assault on Miss Lillie Dempsey, last Saturday morning, from the county jail Saturday afternoon and night.

Those under arrest are John Parks, who is said to have fired into the jail; Grover Fowler, who is charged with attempting to beat down the iron gate at the jail; Bud McCarter, Ben McCarty, Will Burnett, Oscar Carver; Wiley Burnett, Cicero Thomas and Nolan Richards. The arrests were made during yesterday and last night by detachment of soldiers Ben McCarthy, Grover Fowler and Nolan Richards are arranging to give bond.

While the excitement has died out to a considerable extent there's much suppressed feeling among the residents of the mill towns, particularly in Saxon mill village, where the crime against the young woman was committed. Many ugly threats are being heard on all sides and three companies of soldiers, the Hampton Guards of this city, the Traynham Guards of Laurens, and the Morgan Rifles of the South Carolina National Guards are still on duty and will probably remain on duty for several days.

Library Association Meets Friday Night.

The Lancaster Library Association will meet in the library rooms Friday night at 7:30 o'clock, and a large attendance is desired as plans are being matured for many extensive improvements. The young and old alike are cordially invited to be present.

An excellent and entertaining program has been arranged, including talks by Prof. Craven, Dr. Boldridge and Mr. W. C. Thomson, and a recitation by Miss Kate McMannus.

Oysters will be served at this meeting after the conclusion of the literary exercises. The refreshments will be in charge of Mrs. Ira B. Jones, and the proceeds will go into the library fund.

ATTENTION, DEMOCRATS!

Urgent Appeal from National Headquarters-- More Money Must be Raised for Campaign Expenses.

The editor received yesterday the following letter from Chairman Wetmore, of the Democratic National Finance committee, which Lancaster patriots are urged to read and then call at once at this office with their contributions and get the Bryan buttons:

The Democratic press of the country has been doing grand work for the party in this campaign.

This not only applies to raising cash to defray the necessary expenses, but to the able and spirited battle waged in their editorial columns. To your paper is due much credit for the part it is taking.

We are now entering on the final stages of the Presidential campaign and "force the fighting and give no quarter" is the order all along the line.

We earnestly urge you to put in your most effective efforts in your paper during the last weeks of the campaign. Especially do we urge you to ask your readers to rush in their contributions to your office.

All remittances should be made payable to Herman Ridder, Treasurer of the Democratic National Committee, Auditorium Annex, Chicago.

The Democracy we believe is going to triumph in November, but we must not leave a single bit of work undone that shall add to the glory of the victory that will put Bryan in the White House and restore the Government to the people.

If we here at Headquarters succeed in doing our part as faithfully and as well as the Democratic editors of the country are doing theirs, we shall have reason to be well satisfied with our efforts.

Yours very truly,
M. C. Wetmore,
Chairman Finance Committee.

Railroads Win in Richland's Circuit Court.

Columbia State of Sunday: During the past week the circuit court has tried seven cases all but one of which were against railroad companies. Out of the \$32,000 sued for there were verdicts for only \$1,495 against the railroad companies.

Negro Shot to Death by Mob in Georgia.

Empire, Ga., Oct. 11.—A negro named Henry White was shot to fragments by a mob at Younker, six miles from here, last night. White started out to shoot up the family of Mr. Thomas Allen yesterday and on his way met another negro whom he shot and wounded for refusing to join him in his expedition. He went on to Allen's and shot at him and his wife, running them away from their home. A posse gathered, pursued and captured White and placed him in the lock up. About 11 o'clock last night a band of unknown men took White from the lockup, carried him about a mile from Younkers, tied him to a tree and riddled him with bullets.

Two Negroes Lynched by Mississippi Mob

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 11.—A special from Lula, Miss. says: Jim and Frank Davis, negroes, charged with having shot and probably fatally wounded John O. Kendall, a conductor of the Illinois Central Railroad, were taken from jail here to night by a mob and hanged. The shooting of Kendall occurred aboard a passenger train near here late today when the conductor endeavored to quiet the negroes, who, it is said had been drinking and creating a disturbance. Another negro, who participated in the shooting, escaped but is being pursued by a posse.

A child of Mr. Will N. West, of the Antioch community, died Monday, aged about 2 years. We have been unable to learn further particulars.